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SUBJ: ECEVIT AND VANC E COMMENTS BEFORE DINNER

FOLLOWING IS A TRANSCRIPT OF REMARKS DELIVERED BY GOT  
PRIMIN BULENT ECEVIT AND US SECRETARY OF STATE VANCE  
BEFORE BEGINNING WORKING DINNER HOSTED BY MR. ECEVIT  
FRI 20 JAN. MR. ECEVIT SPOKE FIRST IN TURKISH (NOT RPT NOT  
INCLUDED IN TRANSCRIPT), THEN TRANSLATED HIS OWN REMARKS INTO  
ENGLISH, THEN CLOSED (AFTER MR. VANCE'S REMARKS) WITH SHORT COMMENT  
IN TURKISH(GIVEN IN UNOFFICIAL TRANSLATION).  
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(BEGIN TRANSCRIPT)

I WELCOME MR. CYRUS VANCE, SECREARY OF STATE OF THE U.S.A.,  
FOR HIS BRIEF VISIT TO ANKARA AT OUR INVITATION, ALTHOUGH I  
KNOW THAT HE HAD A VERY FULL PROGRAM. WE ATTACH GREAT VALUE  
TOTHE TURKISH-AMERICAN RELATIONSHIP, NOT ONLY BECAUSE OF  
ITS MEANING FOR BOTH COUNTRIES, BUT FOR WORLD PEACE AT LAREGE.

IT IS NO SECRET THAT TURKISH-AMERICAN RELATIONS HAVE BEEN PASSING THROUGH A PERIOD OF STAGNATION, AND I AM CONVINCED THAT THIS IS A TRANSITORY PERIOD, AND WITH HIS GREAT EXPERIENCE AS A STATESMAN AND A DIPLOMAT, I AM SURE THAT MR. CYRUS VANCE WILL DURING HIS VISIT CONTRIBUTE TOWARDS THE ENDING OF THIS PERIOD AND RESTORATION OF TURKISH-AMERICAN RELATIONS ON A SOUND BASIS.

(END ECEVIT)

(BEGIN VANCE)

THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MR. PRIME MINISTER. MAY I EXPRESS TO YOU MY VERY DEEP THANKS FOR YOUR KIND AND GRACIOUS INVITATION TO VISIT YOU FOR AN ALL TOO SHORT PERIOD. I SHARE YOUR VIEWS ABOUT THE IMPORTANCE OF THE RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES. WE HAVE PASSED THROUGH A DIFFICULT PERIOD. I WANT TO ASSURE YOU THAT I SHALL DO EVERYTHING WITHIN MY POWER IN THE WEEKS AND MONTHS AHEAD TO STRENGTHEN THOSE RELATIONS. WE HAVE DEEP TIES. WE HAVE COMMON VALUES. WE SHARE DEMOCRATIC IDEAS, AND WE LOOK FORWARD VERY MUCH TO WORKING WITH YOU AND YOUR GOVERNMENT IN THE YEARS AHEAD. SO THANK YOU FOR INVITING US.

(ECEVIT) THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MR. VANCE.

(VANCE) COULD I SAY ONE MORE WORD.

(ECEVIT) YES, PLEASE.

(VANCE) I WANT TO BRING TO YOU THE VERY WARM GREETINGS OF PRESIDENT CARTER. HE EXTENDS TO YOU HIS WARMEST FELICITATIONS  
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AND BEST WISHES IN YOUR NEW POSITION AS THE LEADER OF THIS GREAT COUNTRY.

(ECEVIT IN TURKISH) THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MR. VANCE. THIS GRACIOUS AND WARM MESSAGE FROM MR. CARTER CARRIES GREAT VALUE FOR ME. ONE IMPORTANT CHARACTERISTIC OF MR. CARTER IS THE IMPORTANCE HE GIVES TO DEMOCRACY AND HUMAN RIGHTS. I BELIEVE TURKEY IS THE ONLY COUNTRY AMONG THE DEVELOPING NATIONS WHICH HAS BEEN ABLE TO MANAGE DEMOCRACY IN SPITE OF ALL OF ITS DIFFICULTIES SINCE THE SECOND WORLD WAR. WE, AS THE TURKISH NATION, ARE PROUD OF THIS. I BELIEVE THIS REALITY IS OF IMPORTANCE IN VIEW OF THE VALUE MR. CARTER GIVES TO DEMOCRACY AND FREEDOM.

(VANCE) THANK YOU, MR. PRIME MINISTER.

(END TRANSCRIPT) SPIERS

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